

TWENTY-SIXTH YEAR.

DECATUR, ILLINOIS, TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 1906.

COLD WAVE IS SWEEPING EAST

In Some Places on Monday They Were Still Enjoying Summer Weather—West is Sleet Bound.

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TEN THOUSAND THE LEAST

That Benson Could Afford to Work as Auditor For Canal.

Small Deal in Stamps Bought Them at 40 Per Cent Discount and Sold Them at Par.

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A BRAZILLIAN WARSHIP SUNK

Explosion on Vessel Brings Death to 196 Officers and Men.

Three Rear Admirals and a Captain Among the Victims.

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Y. M. C. A. EDITOR AT WEST POINT

Was Strong When It Came to Hazing the New Comers.

Shows That He Made Boys Stand on Their Heads For Two Minutes.

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Town Topics Had a Beautiful Take Off

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MERCURY TAKES DROP AFTER THE WARM DAYS

Country Is Swept By Storm And Temperature Forty Degrees Lower At Some Places

REPORT OF SLEET AND STORM

Interurban Cars Meet With Difficulties and Are Laid Out on the Different Lines—Decatur Suffers Also.

The warm weather of Sunday ended in a cold wave throughout the country. The temperature was reported at different places to have dropped thirty and forty degrees and storms and sleet came to different sections.

Decatur was a little later than most places to feel the change but by midnight the sleet came after a long rain. The interurban cars had great trouble with the tracks and wires and street car men also met difficulties.

BIG FALL OF MERCURY.

Changed Temperature in General All Over Country.

Washington, Jan. 21.—The warm weather which scored the highest record in temperature since 1880, prevailed throughout the region between the Mississippi Valley and the Atlantic coast. A cold wave in Ohio was the first to be felt this afternoon. It was reported to be 44 degrees. South of the Ohio river it was less warm because of the heavy rains and thunderstorms. That the storm was a cold wave was shown by the fact that the temperature in the west had fallen to 40 degrees in the west and to 30 in the south. The storm was the first to be felt in the Atlantic coast. It was reported to be 44 degrees. South of the Ohio river it was less warm because of the heavy rains and thunderstorms. That the storm was a cold wave was shown by the fact that the temperature in the west had fallen to 40 degrees in the west and to 30 in the south.

FORECAST GIVEN FOR THE WEEK

Speculation As to the Action of France Toward Venezuela.

THE POLITICS IN ENGLAND

And Affairs Likely to Come Up in House and Senate.

Chicago, Jan. 21.—The Associated Press gives the following forecast of the week's events for the coming week:

If France makes a decisive move in retaliation for Venezuela's treatment of her representative at Caracas, this week will be the center of the world's interest. Venezuela under the Castro regime has been an international problem, but the Monroe doctrine although necessarily involved in it, is so thoroughly understood by all European countries that the state department anticipates no untoward action on the part of France.

Most of the French-Venezuelan trouble began with the expulsion of M. Brann, representative of the French Cable company at Caracas, and Charge d'Affaires Taghny's protest against the action. Venezuela held that its position was correct and refused to treat further with the French government, through M. Taghny. Then followed a long period during which, owing to the absence of Taghny, the United States minister, Russell, open rupture was averted. President Castro by dilatory tactics angered the French government and the latter was sent to Martinique. This incident did not have the desired effect. Then followed M. Taghny's action in boarding the steamer "Marquise" to obtain dispatches and the refusal by the Venezuelan authorities to permit him to return ashore. A foreigner technically this was not an act of hostility, but the Venezuelan authorities held that it amounted to an act of hostility, and Mr. Maubourget, charge d'affaires of Venezuela, was expelled from the French territory. Three French warships are now off the Venezuelan coast and a naval demonstration is anticipated.

Morocco.

From international point of view, Algeiras will divide interest with Venezuela. At the beginning of the Moroccan conference delegates so uniformly expressed themselves as in favor of conservative action that much was hoped for the outcome of negotiations. However, extreme caution and lack of confidence have begun to destroy favorable atmosphere and a feeling of unrest is said to exist among the delegates of less interested powers, who believe trouble is in sight.

Great Britain.

The end of the week will see the close of the general elections in Great Britain, but the liberal victory has been so overwhelming as to take much of interest from the contest. Yet in another sense it adds unprecedented interest to the developments which are sure to come with the opening of parliament.

The annual automobile tournament begins at Ormond-Daytona Beach January 23 and from the races scheduled it is evident there will be many exciting contests.

At Indianapolis will be the joint convention of United Mine Workers and operators.

Interest in congress will largely center in the statehood bill which will come before the house. When the bill comes in Wednesday, according to the present program the very first action will be to test the strength between the so-called "insurgents" and "stalwarts." This test will be the vote on the rule which will accompany the bill for the purpose of preventing amendments being made to it.

"Insurgents" want the rule defeated and predict they have votes enough, combined with 137 democrats in the House to do it. The "stalwarts" make just as strong assertions to the contrary. If the rule is defeated, it is the plan of the opponents of the measure to leave out altogether the provision for statehood for Arizona and New Mexico.

The merchant marine bill and pure food law hold places on the senate calendar, the former as unfinished business each day after two o'clock, and the latter occupying a similar position before that hour. But both those measures will give place temporarily Monday to discussion of the railroad rate bill.

The Emergency deficiency bill will reach the senate early in the week and it is expected that it will be reported back from the committee within a few days.

There is a probability some discussion on the canal question in the senate in an advance report of the committee. Senator Tillman has indicated a desire to take up the subject and the deficiency appropriation bill will afford him opportunity.

INTERURBAN TROUBLE.

Cars Between Springfield and Decatur Are Stopped.

Springfield, Jan. 21.—A heavy sleet storm this afternoon made traffic on the interurban almost impossible. No cars entered the city from 4 p. m. until 9 p. m. when two cars running as a double header came from Riverton. They had started for Decatur but could not get away further than a point between Riverton and Philippi. The sleet put the tracks in such condition that it was almost impossible for the cars to move. It was the worst kind of a storm possible for the interurban and it made more trouble than any had weather since the line was constructed. One car left Springfield about 6 p. m. but could not get past Dawson and at a late hour tonight had not yet returned to Springfield.

No cars came in from the line to the south and none have entered the city since 4 o'clock this afternoon and none have gone out in that direction.

TROUBLE IN DECATUR.

Street Car Men Meet With Difficulties In This City.

In Decatur rain fell most of the night and by midnight it was turning into sleet. The street car men had trouble and the cars between this city and Clinton met with the same difficulty experienced on the Springfield line.

The telephone wires of the interurban company were down at points between Decatur and Springfield.

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WONDERFUL STORIES TOLD

Of the Coal Deposits And of Untouched Forests of Cork Trees.

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STUDENT IS BETTER

Boy Who Has Blood Poisoning Will Recover.

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Herold Carrier Rescues Child from a Fire.

Herbert Hutchinson, the J. M. U. student, who has been in St. Mary's hospital the past few days suffering from a severe case of blood poisoning is practically out of danger and it is thought by the attending physician Dr. E. J. Brown, that he will get along all right. Friday night his condition was alarming and it was feared for a time that he might die.

He is the young man who picked a sore on his hand with a sketching needle, with blood poisoning as a result.

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PASSES TO M'KINLEY

Official Announcement of Purchase of Springfield-Lincoln Line.

WILL HURRY WORK.

Springfield, Jan. 19.—The Springfield & Northeastern railroad was officially reported yesterday as sold to the McKinley syndicate and with it comes the report that the line between this city and Lincoln will be completed and cars running by the first of June.

Work on Line Done So Far.

The purchase of the Springfield & Northeastern by the Illinois Traction System will hasten the completion of the line as the McKinley people are ready and willing to complete the work at the earliest possible time. The grading is completed as far as Lincoln, and the concrete trestles for the bridge over the Sangamon river and the several creeks which the line crosses are already in position. The steel for the bridge is now lying ready to connect in Bloomington, and the road is nearly ready for the laying of the track.

The grading of the line between this city and Lincoln has been completed over a year and will be in fine condition for running cars after the laying of the rails, and the ground has had time to settle and there will be none of the rough riding so often experienced over a new line.

Clause Says Early Completion.

It is stated that one of the principal clauses in the contract of the purchase of the road was that it should be completed at the earliest possible date, and this clause is to be followed to the letter by the new owners of the road.

At the completion of the new line the power for the running of the cars will be furnished as for the remainder of the line from the large power plant at Riverton. When the Riverton plant operates the Springfield & Northeastern, it will be the power for the running of cars from Decatur to East St. Louis, Springfield to Bloomington, and probably from Springfield to Jacksonville.

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Are you weak? If you are suffering from drains, bad dreams, lost vitality or vigor, the result of early indiscretions or from any cause whatever, attend to your case at once. If you feel weak, gloomy, despondent, have poor memory, lack ambition and feel there is a gradual growing weakness of your nervous and physical system, come to me and through my treatment be restored to health and strength. I rejuvenate and build up new nerve force and promotes a free circulation to the organs and restores mental and physical power completely. I have cured thousands of men and women, and rescue them, as it were, from becoming mental and physical wrecks. Don't hesitate to consult me, free of charge.

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NO FEE TILL CURED. If you have the least doubt of my ability to restore you to health and wish to try my method of treatment, you may deposit the fee for a cure in my DECATUR BANK, to be paid till a cure is effected. PATIENTS, IF THEY PREFER, MAY PAY IN EASY MONTHLY INSTALLMENTS.

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Fire in Baptist Church at Philadelphia Causes a Panic and People Are Crushed in Their Effort to Escape.

PASTOR ATTEMPTS TO SAVE THEM

Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 21.—Eighteen persons were killed and probably a half hundred injured in a panic following the cry of "fire" in St. Paul's Baptist church. The services were held on the second floor of the building. A defective flue set fire to the chimney, causing smoke to issue through cracks in the floor near the pulpit.

A wild rush was made for the stairs despite the efforts of Rev. E. W. Johnson, the pastor, to allay the fears of the frenzied people. The stairway to the first floor had one sharp turn and the frightened people became so tightly wedged in the bend of the stairs that the frail wooden banister gave way, precipitating many to the first floor.

The crash and screams of women and children added to the frenzy of those above. They did not stop in their outward rush to get out. Notwithstanding the wide open doors on the first floor leading to the street the crush was so great that eighteen persons had the life stamped out of them before the panic ended.

The fire was only trifling, the flames being extinguished before the firemen arrived.

The disaster occurred while the collection was being taken up. The pastor had just concluded his sermon, the text being: "Why sit we here until we die?" Following the collection there was to have been the baptism of a man and wife. Some of the colored people, owing to the lateness of the evening, had left the church and others were about to go. As the pastor was arranging the pulpit preparatory to beginning the baptismal service, one woman in one of the front rows of the left side of the altar gave a loud shriek: "Fire."

Instantly all those about were on their feet, looking for the blaze. There were no flames in sight, but those near the pulpit smelled smoke and started down the aisle toward the pulpit. Then followed half a dozen cries of "fire," and the whole congregation became panic-stricken. The pastor by this time realized the seriousness of the situation and in a loud voice which only added to the confusion called to the terror-stricken people to be seated.

No one listened and despite his frantic appeal the rush started that meant death to many that were in it.

When those who came down the front stairs had left the building a terrible sight presented itself to the rescuers. The first floor, and the stairway to the bend were covered deep with dead and dying. On the streets hundreds were shrieking for help and looking for their missing loved ones.

SAVES LITTLE BABE

Herold Carrier Rescues Child from a Fire.

Herbert Hutchinson, the J. M. U. student, who has been in

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The best evidence up to date that the senate intends to do something this session is the fact that the Senate has not been brought to the front.

While the senate may not be able to punish Postmaster Faglow it has succeeded in putting him before the country in such a light as will render any future article he may write harmless.

It is reported that ex-senator W. E. Mason is considering the advisability of making another try for the United States senate. Geographical conditions would probably be against him.

Considerable comment has been made touching the fact that the house of representatives last week passed 168 pension bills in eleven minutes. Of course this has the appearance of quick work, but in many battles in which the beneficiaries fought more than that number of men were killed and wounded in eleven seconds. Counting every second consumed in the battle of Gettysburg and more than that number were hit every eleven seconds.

It can fairly be said that the class of men who are offering themselves for the aldermanic altar this year are above the average. This is encouraging. A city like Decatur is entitled to the very best. The difficulty has been that too few good, big-headed business men could be induced to become candidates. The signs are that this is to be changed and that more good men will be willing to serve the public as aldermen hereafter.

There are a great many of our people who have concluded that the payment of a bonus to secure the location of a factory is not a paying investment. There are some excellent reasons for such a belief. The best factories in Decatur, with few exceptions, are those that were built up by the proprietors with their own money and their own profits. This is not only true of factories but is equally true of other enterprises such as stores, newspapers and shops.

Since the announcement of his coming marriage to Miss Roosevelt (congressman Longworth's) mail has increased fourfold. Nearly half of his letters contain requests for promoting the growth of hair and he is offered any quantity of infallible tonics if he will use them and send testimonials in return. He gets statistics to prove that no baldheaded man has ever been known to go insane, that lack of hair is a preservative against all manner of pulmonary diseases; that criminals of all classes are noted for their growth of shaggy hair, usually straight and black, and that bald-headed men in all times and ages have stood for benevolence, intellectual fitness and law abiding qualities.

The announcement that the Panama Canal Commission, with the approval of President Roosevelt, has determined to have the canal built by contract, will meet with the approval of most people, who desire the speedy completion of the canal. The experience already gained seems to demonstrate the impossibility of hastening the work under the present plan because of the constant trouble arising between the governmental forces and outside influences. When the work is let to contractors, the job will be carried on strictly according to business principles, and politicians of every degree, and purveyors of the thousand and one things needed in connection with the building of the canal will be compelled to get down to business, rather than seek advantages through political influence.

WOMEN AND THE BALLOT.
Dubuque Telegraph-Herald: It is ethically wrong to tax women without giving them representation, as wrong as to tax the colonists without giving them representation in parliament. Some women are crying for suffrage and like the child who turns from a new toy, which has lost its charm, fire of it quickly.

The women of Toronto, Canada, fought for suffrage until they got it, but a recent experience there demonstrates that they would be as well without it. They may vote for mayor, aldermen and members of the board of education, and on questions of public policy. Not one woman in four exercised her right at the last election, although there was up for decision a question which is generally assumed to be of womankind, and one that

strikes at the home. The Toronto Globe, rectifying the circumstances, says:

But if they were too preoccupied to study municipal or educational problems they surely had opinions on the barroom. This question was put to every woman voter in Toronto. Do you want to have thirty barrooms and ten liquor stores closed? What answer did they make? Almost no answer at all. One here and one there—three, four, five, six, eight, nine, ten, eleven, twelve, thirteen, fourteen, fifteen, sixteen, seventeen, eighteen, nineteen, twenty, twenty-one, twenty-two, twenty-three, twenty-four, twenty-five, twenty-six, twenty-seven, twenty-eight, twenty-nine, thirty, thirty-one, thirty-two, thirty-three, thirty-four, thirty-five, thirty-six, thirty-seven, thirty-eight, thirty-nine, forty, forty-one, forty-two, forty-three, forty-four, forty-five, forty-six, forty-seven, forty-eight, forty-nine, fifty, fifty-one, fifty-two, fifty-three, fifty-four, fifty-five, fifty-six, fifty-seven, fifty-eight, fifty-nine, sixty, sixty-one, sixty-two, sixty-three, sixty-four, sixty-five, sixty-six, sixty-seven, sixty-eight, sixty-nine, seventy, seventy-one, seventy-two, seventy-three, seventy-four, seventy-five, seventy-six, seventy-seven, seventy-eight, seventy-nine, eighty, eighty-one, eighty-two, eighty-three, eighty-four, eighty-five, eighty-six, eighty-seven, eighty-eight, eighty-nine, ninety, ninety-one, ninety-two, ninety-three, ninety-four, ninety-five, ninety-six, ninety-seven, ninety-eight, ninety-nine, one hundred.

The male voter is not, of course, above suspicion. One hundred thousand of the suffragists of Iowa remain away from the polls. There is no practical benefit to be derived from enabling women to vote when they will not avail themselves of the privilege, or, at least, as you please, to do so.

ILLINOIS SUPREME COURT ELECTIONS.

The terms of five of the seven justices of the supreme court of Illinois expire in June. The supreme court consists of seven judges elected for a term of nine years, one from each of the seven districts into which the state is divided. The salary of the judges under the law passed by the last legislature is \$10,000 a year and \$2,000 is allowed each judge for a clerk. The election is held on the first Monday in June, being the fourth day of the month of each year. The judges whose terms expire this year are:

First district, Justice Carroll C. Boggs of Fairfield.

Second district, Justice James B. Hicks of Taylorville.

Third district, Justice Jacob W. Wilkin of Danville.

Fifth district, Justice John P. Hand of Cambridge.

Seventh district, Justice Benjamin D. Magruder of Chicago.

The holdovers are: Fourth district, Justice Guy C. Scott of Alton, whose term expires in 1912, and sixth district, Justice James H. Cartwright, of Oregon, whose term expires in 1909.

The court stands politically three democrats to four republicans. Justices Boggs, Hicks and Scott are democrats and Justices Wilkin, Hand, Magruder and Cartwright are republicans. The opinion prevails that this division of the court is fair and right.

Justice James B. Hicks of Taylorville, of the Second Judicial district, will not be a candidate for re-election. Circuit Judge Harry Higbee is a candidate and has the endorsement of Pike county to start with.

PUNISHING CRIMINALS.

As the result of numerous murders of women in Chicago recently there has been a public demand for more protection for better protection. This remedy is always the first to suggest itself in cases of this kind. There is another and more promising protection that should also be considered. If justice was more promptly meted out to the degenerates who commit these crimes it would have a healthy restraining influence upon the would be criminal. The Chicago and other jails of the state are filled with men whose cases have been waiting for final disposition—men who are beyond question guilty. If the machinery of justice were kept moving more promptly it would be more encouraging for policemen and state's attorneys.

Recently the Chicago Tribune discussing this condition said:

"The criminal laws of Illinois were not made by the people for their protection. They were made by lawyers to promote the interest of lawyers. It does not meet the case to say that the condition of things in Chicago so far as crime is concerned, can be improved greatly by increasing the police force. With a larger force, well handled, more criminals might be apprehended. What is needed most is that criminals, when caught, shall be punished with reasonable promptness and severity.

"It is because criminals know they need not fear swift and stern punishment if arrested that they flock to Chicago. It has become a 'snug harbor' for them. It is their favorite winter resort. The tramps of the fields, the desperate characters from the lake ports and other cities come here to ply their trade in winter. Chicago has come to be known over the country as a bad town for men of good character and a good town for men of bad character.

"That is not so much due to the small size of the police force as it is to the remissness and negligence of the courts, the inadequacy of the laws, the abuse of the pardoning power, and the faulty administration of the penal system. Unless there is an improvement in these particulars there will be no material diminution of crime."

The Tribune may be putting the case a little too strong in stating that criminal laws were made to promote the interests of the lawyers. But the resort to every technicality to save the neck of a murdered makes it have that appearance. As a rule those who commit murder are, after conviction, given new trials and every possible appeal until the public loses interest and the crime is forgotten. This is not encouraging to the good order of society but it is encouraging to criminals. It teaches them that they can ignore the law commit crime and have more than an even chance to escape punishment.

WENT HIM SOME BETTER.

One of the current stories springing from the curtailment of railroad pass

privileges concerns George H. Daniels, former head of the passenger department of the New York Central, now manager of the company's advertising business. He sent an annual pass to Stuyvesant Fish, president of the Illinois Central, who, on examination, found that according to restrictions on the pass the only train he could use was one that left New York city about sunrise. Mr. Fish, in order to show equal courtesy, filled out a pass in Mr. Daniels' name and sent it with a pleasant worded note acknowledging the favor which the latter had conferred upon him. Mr. Daniels examined the pass and saw that it read: "Good for transportation on all hand cars on all the lines of the Illinois Central railroad system."

RIVER AND HARBOR BILLS.

The rivers and harbors of the country are not being neglected, according to reports from Washington. It is said that something like 300 commercial organizations have delegations at the national capital urging upon congress the needs of their several localities. Some want their rivers improved, some their lake front, some their harbors, while others have canal schemes. It has been suggested that if they can show that they control enough votes they will be able to secure appropriations. This is perhaps not a fair suggestion. The business is not done in that way. The river and harbor bills which have been agreed upon by the committee from time to time have been evolved by starting with proper and necessary cases in which the improvement of a river or a harbor is a national necessity. It requires votes to pass such a measure. Immediately a swarm of congressmen discover that the improvement of rivers in their districts or their state would also be of local benefit and that an appropriation for that purpose would benefit them at home. Having convinced themselves they are reluctant to support the meritorious cases unless their own particular locality receives a corresponding benefit and so an item to cover the coveted improvement goes in and the vote of one or more additional members is secured for the bill. This one locally after another is crowded into the bill until there are votes enough and the river and harbor bill is finally made up of miscellaneous good honest material for the humorist. As long as a speech as his physical ability enables him to make, Senator Carter, in 1901, killed a river and harbor bill by talking until that congress expired and every moment he put in was a humorous expose of ridiculous provisions of the bill. In one case he pointed out that it was proposed to improve a river in North Carolina that never flowed. In fact was not a river at all but a series of pools. He pointed out another instance where the river was proposed to improve could not be navigated, with a canoe for two reasons. One was that it was not deep enough and the other was that the branches of the trees overhanging the water and were so interlaced that a person in a boat even though it would float could not force his way through those branches. Proctor Knott, of Kentucky, discussing one of these river and harbor bills, pointed out that the surveyor had made an un pardonable error in not recommending that river be macadamized instead of being made navigable, because to macadamize it would be the cheaper operation.

No doubt, among the three hundred interests represented in Washington urging recognition in the river and harbor bill there are many ridiculous propositions for improvements such as Carter and Knott ridiculed, but river and harbor bills are thus made up to secure votes enough to pass it. It has always been so. So far as any one can now see it will always be so whenever there is cash enough in the public treasury or in sight to warrant the passage of a river and harbor bill. Perhaps this condition might be greatly modified if not altogether cured, by a provision that where the government appropriates money to improve a harbor or river, for commercial purposes, the state or the city receiving the benefit should pay a proper proportion of the cost of the improvement.

DISREGARD OF HUMAN LIFE.

Statistics have been gathered to show that during the past year of 1905 not less than 9,000 persons were killed or injured in the iron and steel mills and blast furnaces in one country, that of Allegheny, Pa. In the other mills, shops and factories 4,000 other persons were sacrificed. If to this record is added the number of men who lost their lives in last part of the country through explosions in mines and other accidents the aggregate is appalling. With reasonable precautions a great many of these lives could have been saved as most such accidents are preventable. Human life is not valued and protected as it should be when it comes to the making of money. Too many times men are forced to work under conditions that invite death or something that may be worse, helplessness for life. It is also true that workmen themselves are not as cautious as they ought to be and take risks they are not required to take and often are cautioned against by the employer or superintendent.

ADVISING REPUBLICANS.

The Illinois State Register has undertaken to castrate our old friend, Col. Ace Matthews, of Pike county, for being in favor of the re-election of Cullom to the senate. The Register, being a democratic paper, is opposed to the election of Cullom or any other republican to the United States senate, but unfortunately for it this appears impossible in the state of Illinois at this time. Indeed the Register regards such a thing so remote that it does not waste any time suggesting

what particular democratic statesman should enter the primaries for that party and receive the honors of going through the motion of playing the game.

The Register, like every other democratic organ in the state, is spending its time meddling in the affairs of the republican party and directing republicans to do the things which it believes would do the republican party harm. These papers have been so continuously in this business for the last eight years that they have actually forgotten the rule to shun on their own side. They really assume they are commissioned to advise the republicans what to do, how to keep house, where to keep the broom, the rolling pin, the rag bag and the piano, and where to hang the pictures. The Register is opposed to the election of Cullom; Col. Matthews favors his election and, therefore, the Register assumes the right to take him over her lap and larrup him with its sixteen to one slipper. It charges the colonel with being a back number who is for Cullom because the senator once gave him an office. And then it appeals to the prejudices of the republicans of Pike county by charging that Col. Matthews presumes that he owns that county, because he says the republicans of that county are for Cullom. Having thus baited the trap the Register tells how a new generation has come up, a lot of bright young men of independent character who do not propose to be owned and delivered by any old fossil. The chances are that the democrat who is attempting to incite a rebellion in Pike, in the republican ranks, by this appeal, is an older man than Col. Ace Matthews and is much nearer the strata where fossils abound than the colonel and is himself conscious of that fact, and yet he undoubtedly sits back and chuckles over the hope that the appeal will take root in Pike county and give the republicans trouble.

Pitchfork Tillman has succeeded in advertising himself as still a greater outlaw than were prone to ascribe to him. In a debate on the San Domingo situation in which he attacked the president he went out of his way to drag before the senate, like the ghoul that he is, the private affairs of the chief magistrate of this nation. No greater or swifter condemnation could have been passed upon his course than that which he suffered—there was not a senator on his own side partisan enough to support his proposition or attempt an apology for him. The trouble with Tillman is that he has become a public bore and a stench in the nostrils of the American people. If South Carolina can stand for him it is all the worse for South Carolina.

Davenport Democrat: Governor Deane of Illinois, has during his comparatively short career, received a great deal of advice from the newspapers. Whether he has followed any of it or not is quite another question. But he is going to repay the editors in their own coin. He is billed to deliver an address before the State Editorial Association of Colorado. Newspaper men do not object to being "talked back to," and they ought not since they can always have the last word.

Harvard University will continue business just the same as if the profit side of the account had shown a balance. But the fact is that Harvard failed to pay running expenses by almost \$21,000. And yet this great school had more money than ever, by nearly \$1,300,000, with which to do business. All of the colleges and universities are alike in this respect, especially the larger ones. And such a policy in an educational institution is hardly to be criticised. It often grows faster than its maintenance fund.

A FRENCH PRESIDENT.

The election of a French president is so easy of accomplishment that it is over before one realizes that it is contemplated.

M. Fallieres just elected in France will be only the titular head of the government. Its real head will be the prime minister. Nominally President Fallieres will appoint his cabinet. In fact, he will have to appoint as prime minister the man whom the chamber of deputies wishes him to, and the prime minister will name the other ministers and dictate the policy of the government regardless of the president's wishes as long as he has the chamber's backing. The French president's position is analogous to, but weaker than, that of the king of England. The ministers of both are responsible to parliament, but the hereditary nature of his office gives the English monarch an influence that the French president lacks. Even the excitable French cannot get worked up over the choice of a functionary, however high, dignified, and well paid, who, after all, is a mere figurehead.

While, looked at from the standpoint of its probable effect upon the country's future policy, the French election cannot be regarded as of much importance, its result seems, in one way, to be significant. President-elect Fallieres, the grandson of a blacksmith, has long been, and has been known to be, an ardent republican, and is particularly distasteful to the reactionaries. His election indicates that republican principles are steadily striking their roots deeper in France.

THE PHILIPPINE TARIFF BILL.

The new Philippine tariff bill as passed by the house provides for the free admission into the United States of all Philippine products except sugar, tobacco, and rice, on which 25 per cent of the duty is to be collected. Rice was added to the dutiable list not long before the final vote, not because there was any reason for it but apparently out of pure good feeling toward the southern rice representatives.

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The other important provisions are that after April 11, 1909, trade each way between the Philippines and the United States shall be absolutely free; that Philippine goods entering the United States shall be exempt from any export duty imposed by the Philippine government; also that merchandise from either country shall be subject to the internal revenue tax of the country in which such merchandise is withdrawn for consumption.

A number of attempts to engraft general tariff legislation upon the bill were frustrated. The most notable of these was made by Champ Clark of Missouri, who proposed to cut down the differential duty on refined sugar from \$5.30 per ton to \$2.50. This was ruled out of order by the speaker as not germane.

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ACTIVE AT 86.

Julia Ward Howe at 86 years is a splendid example of what is accomplished by the so-called new woman, although Mrs. Howe is a woman of the old school. She is now as other women are becoming new, keeping posted and abreast of the times and in so doing who has kept young. She is certainly an object lesson in the art of growing old gracefully. Even those who are acquainted with the general history of her life are not familiar with the old little club that she has formed at Newport. It is now several years old and is called the Paperette club. Its members furnish a sort of a traveling library among themselves in exchanging paper covered novels, and then, when all have read them, they get together for discussion and criticism on these books. The opinions are expressed thus: P. B. meaning that the special book was written as a "pot-boiler." W. D. meaning "wholly doctored." F. A. O. L. is the severest condemnation, "fell asleep over it." Mrs. Howe presides regularly over at least three local clubs, the New England Women's Boston Authors, and the Wintergreens.

THEORY VS. PRACTICE.

It is perhaps fortunate for the world at large that all theories will not work out in practice. If they did this would be a hop scotch sort of a place to live in and there would be a good many that would not be permitted to live with advanced thinkers who would give knock out drops to the old and kill the cripples. Now down in Philadelphia there is an Episcopalian rector by the name of Rev. Floyd Tompkins, who has solved the servant girl problem. This is accomplished in his theory by doing away with lines of caste, recognizing the servant girls and others as equals on a social plane. This Rev. Tompkins assures us would settle one of the most vexing of household problems.

THEORY VS. PRACTICE.

This theory has furnished people living on broad socialist grounds reasons for advancing the idea that there should be no difference between individuals. It is a broad question and yet not so broad that it can't be disposed of. Theoretically it sounds good but it followed out Sweet Singer Bill Ethelridge might have entered to the clubs of Decatur and no one would be willing to come to that pass.

THEORY VS. PRACTICE.

Down in Kentucky the women in missionary work have adopted a novel method of sustaining missionaries in Japan. They sell all the eggs their hens lay on Sunday and devote the money to the cause of these missionaries. The novelty of the scheme will appeal more strongly to many persons than the purpose. Japan seems to be a country of reasonably high standard in morals and patriotism. Their morality may not be ours but the morality of this country would not be an exact gauge whereby to measure it, for we are rather loose ourselves at times. As a people and a country Japan in recent years has taken a high place among nations and is becoming an open question whenever they are really in need of missionaries.

THEORY VS. PRACTICE.

When Japan carries on a long and protracted war without losing a dollar by speculation or by hoarding, when every contractor lived up to the red letter and spirit of his obligation, and when every soldier was animated with the single desire to do his whole duty, we may well inquire whether it is necessary to save our Sunday eggs to teach such a people our own ideas. In these matters they seem to be ahead of us by several laps.

THEORY VS. PRACTICE.

Moine, Ill., has a man named L. M. Magill who wants to be a state senator and he has announced a platform on which he is going to fight the campaign

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to the bitter end even though he gets the everlasting political life hammered out of his aspiring body.

He has issued a statement of principles, in which it appears that he is opposed to the system of bossism, believes in organization, is in favor of primary elections, doesn't desire the use of money in campaigns, wants the country roads improved, asks for a law allowing cities, towns and villages to regulate the price of gas and electricity. The octopus in the Moline district had better draw in its tentacles lest the vigorous Mr. Magill run afoul of them and whack them off close to the head, for that is what he has promised to do and a man full of the virgin milk of reform is not always safe when he runs amuck.

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

Tillman has reached the point where he is disgusting even to his democratic friends in the senate.

At the rate they are turning out midnightmen at Annapolis the lack of officers in the navy promises to continue.

It now develops that Senator Brace-elect once asked Senator Dewey for a railroad pass. Recent events would indicate that he did not get it.

White whinged peace once more broods over San Domingo. In the meantime another batch of revolutionaries will be got ready for immediate use.

Is it possible that Tillman fell off the water wagon?

The name of the new president of France is Fallieres. Of course you are not expected to remember it.

The coal miners are going to ask for a raise of 10 per cent. If they get it the consumers will pay it. The operators never will.

"Miss Roosevelt's wedding" is the title of a continued story in the daily papers. It has several weeks to run.

MR. BURNHAM WINS THE BOYS.

Three Little Fellows Converted at Central Church of Christ.

BEGINS A REVIVAL.

Rev. Finis Idleman of Paris Will Be Here Today.

Three little boys, each about 12 years of age, responded to the call of Rev. F. W. Burnham Sunday morning and were converted at the revival which opened at the Central Church of Christ. This was the result of the first service of the series of meetings which will be held by the congregation.

After delivering an impressive sermon Mr. Burnham gave out an invitation to any who wished to come to the platform and the three little boys marched up and were converted, and at the night service were baptized in the church.

Today Rev. Finis Idleman, of Paris, Ill., will arrive and will conduct the series of services. He will preach to-night. It is not known yet how long the meetings will continue, this depending largely on the interest manifested. On Sunday Rev. Burnham will call Rev. Idleman's appointments at Paris, and the latter will conduct the services here.

The subject of the morning sermon yesterday was "Keep This Man." Mr. Burnham spoke about the importance of a man being able to keep himself. He said: "A man's first duty is to keep unspilled his own life and spirit. This will include the care of the body as well as the care of the mind. Secondly this means responsibility for other people's actions.

It is impossible to escape this responsibility because of the fact that we live in a time when the influence of one person over another is so very great. He illustrated his point by telling of being in the police headquarters the other day when one of the officers told him of a certain man here who has deserted his wife and fled. The police stated that they are hunting for the man and that if they find him they will bring him back to face his crime. The bible says that the man who does not provide for his family is an infidel. Responsibility does not stop with providing one's family with the bare necessities of life but implies also spiritual responsibility. He closed by urging all the people to attend the meetings and not to allow temporal affairs to interfere with their religious duties.

THEORY VS. PRACTICE.

The prayer meeting services will be abandoned during the continuance of the revival.

THEORY VS. PRACTICE.

Thursday Miss Lura V. Thompson, state secretary of the Christian Women's board of missions, will be in the city and will conduct an institute in the church both morning and afternoon. The morning service will begin

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at 11:30 and the afternoon service at 2:30. It is urged that all members of the church be present.

THEORY VS. PRACTICE.

JASPER MISSION.
There was a good attendance at the Jasper Street mission Sunday afternoon when the regular church services were held at 3 o'clock. The subject of the sermon by the pastor, Rev. O. O. Inman, was "When Thou Art Converted Strengthen the Brethren."

At the regular meeting of the Sunday school there was an attendance of one hundred and considerable interest was shown in the meeting.

THEORY VS. PRACTICE.

Services were held at the Walnut Grove church Sunday evening and there was a large attendance, a helpful sermon was delivered by Rev. O. O. Inman.

THEORY VS. PRACTICE.

This regular meeting of the Christian Endeavor society will be held Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

ENGLISH LUTHERAN.

The services at the First English Lutheran church yesterday morning were hardly as well attended as usual on account of the disagreeable weather. Rev. H. Peters, the pastor, preached at both morning and evening services.

At the morning service the text was "But speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed." The pastor pronounced the faith of the man who spoke those words to be very great, and that it appeared really greater because the man was a Gentile. The principle of the soldier came out in his words to the Savior.

Also his greatness appears in the things accompanying his faith. Among other things his kind-heartedness, being a heathen, a soldier and a slaveholder, might be mentioned. His liberality was also great, since it is related how he had built a synagogue. His possessed great humility, having a high estimate of Christ and a low estimate of himself. This did not arise from meanness of spirit, nor poverty of condition nor inferiority of position.

The subject of the evening sermon was "The great commission, or go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

The Willing Workers will hold their regular meeting at the home of Mrs. Reuben Coble, 436 East Decatur street, Thursday afternoon.

The Lutheran Aid society will hold its regular meeting at the church Monday evening.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN.

There was a large attendance at the First Presbyterian church Sunday morning, the subject of the sermon by the pastor, Rev. W. H. Penhalligon, was "Man's Longing for God." The choir sang two anthems. They were "Oh, Holy Savior," and "Come Ye Disciples."

FIRST METHODIST.

There was a large attendance at the services of the First Methodist church which were held at the opera house Sunday morning. This was the time for the second quarterly sermon of the year and it was delivered by Rev. B. P. Shipp, presiding elder of this district.

C. P. CHURCH.

The services at the Cumberland Presbyterian church were largely attended Sunday morning, and the pastor, Rev. J. W. McDonald, delivered an able sermon on "The Essentials of Christianity." Prof. Meek the leader of the chorus choir, sang a solo.

The regular meeting of the Missionary society will be held Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the church. The subject of the meeting will be "Missionary Heroes," and the leader will be Mrs. J. W. McDonald.

The Young Men's Bible class have postponed their social this week on account of the revival services.

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Knights of Pyth
to go to Spring
to visit the P
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which is to be
of February 1
include the Pyth
officers and
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of the Knights of Decatur.
The train will arrive
1 o'clock on the morning
and will be met by a
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society will get breakfast
care for Springfield, dis
an hour's ride. At Springfield
with a special at the Pyth
At present there

CLUB AMONG FIRST

Introduce Alabama Quail
and Virginia Pheasant
In Illinois.

START A COLONY BOY TO THE ROCKPILE

With a Few Birds at the Club Grounds.

It is the intention of the club to start a colony of birds on the grounds. The first step was taken by the purchase of a few birds from the Virginia Pheasant and Alabama Quail. The birds were introduced to the grounds and are now being cared for by the club members. It is hoped that the colony will grow and that the birds will be able to breed and raise their young on the grounds.

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ELEVATOR BOY SCARED WILL VISIT DECATUR

When He Makes Flying Bishop Coadjutor of Springfield Drop at Milliken Build-
ing Sunday.

SOME DAMAGE DONE. WILL PREACH TWICE.

On the 22nd inst. a fire broke out in the Milliken building, which is the residence of the Bishop Coadjutor of Springfield. The fire was caused by a gas stove and did considerable damage to the building. The Bishop Coadjutor is expected to visit Decatur on Sunday and will preach twice.

FARMER KING HERE

Mr. Watkins, who owns 100,000 acres in Decatur, is expected to visit the city on Sunday. He is a very successful farmer and is well known in the community. He is expected to spend some time in the city and will be a guest of the local farmers.

SEWING BEE AND SUPPER

A sewing bee and supper will be given at the Country Club next Thursday. The event is for the benefit of the club and is open to all members. It is hoped that a large number of people will attend.

FATHER AND SON MEET IN JAIL

Both Are Behind the Bars
Because of Drinking
Whisky.

WEDDING TAKES PLACE SUNDAY

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In Decatur.

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FUNERAL TODAY

Body of late Thomas Lee brought to Decatur. The funeral will be held at 2 o'clock this afternoon from St. Patrick's church. The body was brought to the city from Springfield.

MISS WITKE DEAD

Popular Young Woman Succumbs to Disease. Miss Emma H. Witke, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Witke, died Sunday at her home, 1211 North 2nd street. She was 17 years old and was a very popular young woman.

OLD RESIDENT DEAD.

Frederick Schmitt Passes Away at His Home. Frederick Schmitt died last night at 7:30 o'clock at his home, 1354 East Orchard street, of a complication of diseases aged 62 years. He had been a resident of Decatur for the past 20 years and was a member of the local miners' union.

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CAN PLAY POOL HERE

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GIRL IS SHOT BY PLAYMATE

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The couple left on the afternoon train for Moweaqua, where they will make their home and where the groom's parents will tender a reception today in their home.

ASK MISS ALICE

TO GIVE HER AID

Belgians Want Her to Prevail Upon Her Father.

Antwerp Belgium Jan. 21.—A committee of prominent Belgians appointed for the purpose of seeking the release of the Turkish government of Edward Joris, condemned to death by the native court at Constantinople for alleged participation in an attempt to assassinate Sultan July 1 last, today decided to send a petition to Miss Alice Roosevelt asking her to interest President Roosevelt in the hope that he might personally intervene in behalf of Joris.

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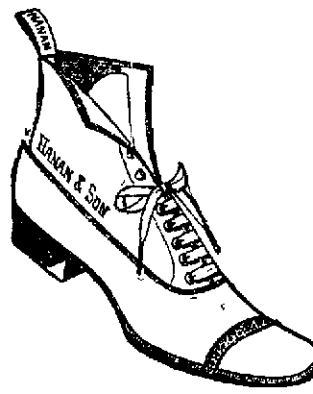
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Douglas \$5.00 Shoes\$3.48

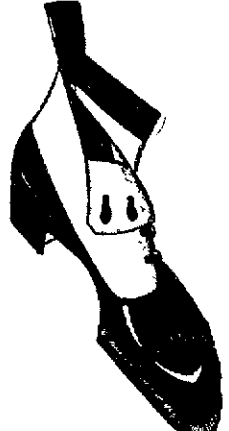


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Cushion Soled \$4 Shoes ..\$2.98
Whitecomb \$3.50 Shoes ..\$2.48
Chesterfield \$3.00 Shoes ..\$1.98



Ladies' Shoes

Queen Quality \$3.50
Shoes\$2.69
Queen Quality \$3.00
Shoes\$2.19
Queen Quality \$3.00
Shoes\$1.98
Kingsbury \$3 Shoes\$1.98



Irving Drew \$3 Shoes ...\$1.98
Wolfe \$3.00 Shoes\$1.98
G. E. Smith \$2.50 Shoes ..\$1.84
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Shoes\$1.69

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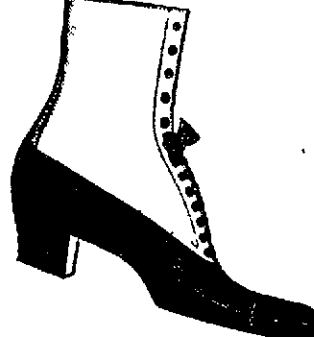
Men's Shoes

Men's Veal Calf Work
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Men's Satin Calf \$1.75
Shoes\$1.24
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Men's Patent Colt \$3.00
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Boys' Shoes

Boys' \$1.50 Shoes98c
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Ladies' Shoes

Ladies' heavy soled Street
Shoes98c
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Shoes\$1.14
Ladies' Kid Lace \$1.75 Shoes ..\$1.24
Ladies' Kid Lace \$2.00 Shoes ..\$1.49
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\$2.50 Shoes\$1.69
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\$3.00 Shoes\$1.84
Ladies' Patent Colt \$3.00
Shoes\$1.98



Misses' Dongola Lace \$1.25
Shoes79c
Misses' Dongola Lace \$1.50
Shoes\$1.24

Children's Shoes

Children's 75c Solid Leather
Shoes49c
Children's \$1 Dress Shoes ..64c
Children's \$1.25 Dress
Shoes79c

Infants' Shoes

Infant's 25c Soft Shoes17c
Infant's 50c Soft Sole
Shoes19c
Infant's 60c Kid Lace
Shoes39c

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